

DEMPSEY-BRENNAN TITLE FIGHT IS FEATURE OF WINTER

Champion is Heavy Favorite; Brennan Tough and Hits Hard

Chicagoan One of Most Formidable Challengers.

TWO OKLAHOMA GOES

Tulsa and Shawnee Cards to Be Staged This Week—Britton in Action.

Important Boxing Bouts This Week

Dec. 13—Jack Dempsey vs. Bill Brennan, 15 rounds, at New York.
Dec. 14—Jack Sharkey vs. Young Montreal, 12 rounds, at Boston.
Dec. 14—Johnny Dundee vs. Pat Moran, 15 rounds, at New Orleans.
Dec. 15—Jack Reilly vs. Jack Hurley, 10 rounds, at Shawnee, Okla.
Dec. 15—Harry Kabbakoff vs. Andy Chaney, 8 rounds, at St. Louis.
Dec. 17—Jack Britton vs. Johnny Nichols, 10 rounds, at St. Paul.
Dec. 17—Jack Lawler vs. Gene Belmont, 12 rounds, at Tulsa.

By Edward W. Cochrane.
All other pugilistic events of the winter season are overshadowed by the 15-round battle between Jack Dempsey, world's champion heavy-weight, and Knockout Bill Brennan of New York, which is scheduled to stage at Madison Square Garden Tuesday night—the first heavy-weight championship encounter under the new boxing law in the Empire state.

Although there are few followers of this pugilistic contest who are willing to concede the challenger even an outside chance to lift the most coveted crown in fistiana from the noble brow of the Salt Lake City "knockout," the fact remains that Dempsey is meeting one of the toughest, earnest, hardest-hitting foes he is apt to meet while he occupies the throne.

It is a well known fact that Dempsey and Brennan have met before. Their first fight took place in Milwaukee in 1918, about a year before the "assassin" laid low Jess Willard in a ring at Toledo. The result is plastered in the records of the two fighters as a checkbook victory for Dempsey in six rounds. However, it was a technical "knockout." Brennan broke an ankle in some peculiar manner while trying to battle through the eighth round, unable to continue, so Dempsey gets credit for a knockout victory, although Brennan was not put to the canvas for the count of ten by one of Dempsey's punches.

Challenger Confident.
Ever since that fight Brennan has cherished a desire to again meet Dempsey in the humped inclosure, but never was given a chance until the champion had won the title and disposed of Billy Miske, the first challenger to meet the new title holder. Brennan comes second on the list. He says there may be a few heavyweights who can beat him, but Dempsey is not one of them. Brennan is so supremely confident of a victory over Dempsey and the capture of the championship that he is better off on his own chances. This confidence is not shared by anyone outside of Brennan and a handful of his closest followers. Brennan's belief that he can beat Dempsey is founded on the fact that he made a remarkable showing against him in their first meeting. Since that time both boxers have improved, but it is the opinion of the pugilistic circles that the champion has passed his peak in this regard. If this is the case he should be a decided favorite.

Physically, the men compare so well that it is from that standpoint alone a very even match. Their measurements:

DEMPSEY	BRENNAN
Age.....28	28
Weight.....191	191
Height.....6'01"	6'01"
Reach.....77	77
Chest (expanded).....34	34
Forearm.....15 1/2	15 1/2
Wrist.....8 1/2	8 1/2
Thigh.....23 1/2	23 1/2
Calf.....15 1/2	15 1/2
Shin.....10 1/2	10 1/2

Dempsey has advantages over Brennan that are a fatal importance in a bout of this kind. First, he is faster, both with his feet and hands. Brennan is one of the quickest thinkers in the ring has known in a score of years, while Brennan is of the slow, rather mechanical type of fighter. Dempsey was undoubtedly the most powerful punch of any pugilist living, while Brennan's punch is of the knockout variety, proven by the fact that he has 25 knockouts over heavyweights in his record.

Champion Should Win.
The advantage of speed and quick thinking should enable Dempsey to provide the "young bull," as Willard termed him after their battle at Toledo, in as good condition as he was when he won the title, and he claims to be.

The two advantages mentioned are of untold value to a pugilist. Brennan has no advantage that will offset either one. In fact, he has not one advantage over the champion unless it is ability to take more punishment. Brennan is one of the toughest in the business. The ability of Dempsey to absorb punches never has been truly tested, as he never has stood up 15 rounds with a hard puncher like Brennan. As a heavy puncher also has a wheeler Dempsey will fight with Brennan as he has fought all others. He will rush him from the very outset in the hope of landing an early knockout. If Brennan can stand many more punches for five rounds he has a much better chance of winning than he will have at the sound of the opening gong. The further the fight goes, in fact, the

better will Brennan's chance be to lift the crown.

Brennan is not clever enough to avoid the punches of the champion. That is why he is not considered a winner. But he claims to be able to take Dempsey's punches and remain on his feet. If this is true, he is a formidable foe. But there are few who believe Brennan is not overestimating his ability to absorb wallops. Those who know the power of the Dempsey wallop do not believe any man can receive it on the chin and remain intact.

Challenger's Record Good.
Dempsey's record is too well known to every boxing fan to bear repetition here, but there are many who are not familiar with the work of Brennan within the squared circle. Therefore we are going to tell of some of his important engagements. Brennan was born in County Mayo, Ireland, and came to this country when still a youngster. He started boxing in 1914, around Chicago. His first year he had 12 fights and won ten of them by knockouts. In 1915 he had seven battles and won six of them by knockouts. In 1916 he became prominent and had 27 fights, nineteen of which were won by the knockout route. In that year he met such notables as Tom Cowler, Homer Smith, Andre Anderson, Boer Rodell, Tony Russ, One-round David, and a lot more brawls who had championship been buzzing in their bones, but since then have fallen by the wayside through colliding with the wallop of just such men as Brennan.

The following year Brennan had 23 fights and won nine of them by knockouts, laying low such men as Tex McCarthy, Al Benedict and Joe Cox. He also fought Battling Levinsky, Harley Madden and others of that type.

In 1918 Brennan was in the war and had four fights, one of which was the battle with Dempsey. He also met Levinsky and Madden.

Last year Brennan had 13 fights and won five by knockouts, two of his victims being Jack Burke and Tom McMahon. He boxed Harry Greb four times in one year, losing one decision to him. He also was victorious over Mike McManis.

This year Brennan has been boxing regularly and has been doing well against such fighters as Harry Greb, Bob Roper and others. Brennan has not had a fight now for two months as he wanted to be in the pink of condition for the championship affair. He has trained faithfully, and according to his manager he is ready to put up the battle of his career. Dempsey has been training carefully, showing that he considers Brennan a dangerous antagonist.

There are other good fights this week. Jack Britton, welter king, is the only other champion in action. He meets Johnny Nichols at St. Paul, but should have no trouble outpointing him.

The Humped Arena

Gene Belmont, Memphis lightweight who meets Jack Lawler in the 12-round main event of the Acme Athletic club's show next Friday night is due to arrive in Tulsa today, according to a wire received yesterday by Promoter Jack Callahan. Lawler and Manager Joe Levy were to leave New Orleans today, and should be here tomorrow or Tuesday morning. Kid Spack, who stages eight rounds with Joe Gorman, will be working in Tulsa now in preparation for his bout with the local boy.

Callahan is seeking an opponent for Pat Dalton, Dallas middleweight. Two or three possibilities are under consideration by Callahan and Dalton's opponent will be announced within a day or so.

Freddie Weush, former lightweight champion of the world, is ready for his come-back and unless something occurs to cause him to change his mind he will make his first appearance in the ring in several years at McKeesport, Pa., on Christmas afternoon. Charlie Kolb of Newark has taken Welch under his wing and he will box Tommy Phillips or some other battler on the holiday.

Joe Wagner emphatically denies that coming in at 138 pounds at 2 o'clock had anything to do with Jack Sharkey's defeat at the hands of Joe Lynch at the Garden last Friday night. "The weight cut," said Manager Wagner, "as a matter of fact, Sharkey could have taken off several pounds around his legs which shows that he is not weak at all. The only fact is Jack will train long enough. He feels six or seven days is enough in which to get in shape for a contest. That was the trouble the other night and not making the weight."

Bill Brennan, the Chicago kayo king, it is reported, is to receive a guarantee of \$25,000 for meeting Champion Jack Dempsey at the Garden one week from Tuesday night.

The Pioneer Sporting club announced the other evening that hereafter the club charge \$12 and \$15 to all their entertainments, except where a special show is staged.

OILTON BASKETERS VICTORS

OILTON, Okla., Dec. 11.—The Jennings school high school gymnasium both boys and girls, played in the Oilton high school gymnasium last night and the Oilton teams were both successful, the boys winning their game by the score of 25 and 13, and the girls winning theirs by the score of 15 to 2.

A record breaking crowd was present, the gymnasium not being able to accommodate them, and many had to be turned away. The picture shows closed up for the occasion and this was one reason for the big audience. This was the first game of the season.

Jack Dempsey and Bill Brennan Snapped Training for 15-Round Bout in New York



Jack Dempsey (left) training on U. S. training ship "Granite" and Bill Brennan working out in Grupp's gymnasium, New York.

Undismayed by the fate of Billy Miske in his bout with Jack Dempsey, heavyweight king, at Benton Harbor, Mich., last July 4, Bill Brennan has one aim in his favor that many on his training for a crack at the champion. Bill and Dempsey will meet

December 14 at Madison Square Garden, New York. Few experts concede Brennan much of a chance against the Giant Killer, but Brennan has one aim in his favor that many on his training for a crack at the champion. Bill and Dempsey will meet

Landis, Pepper and Toole To Draft New Agreement

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Major and minor league committees engaged in drawing up a new national baseball agreement early tonight delegated to Judge Landis, high commissioner of baseball, George Wharton Pepper of Philadelphia, and John Conway, Philadelphia of New York the task of deciding upon the form of the document. The trio met tonight and discussed the provisions of the tentative agreement that were presented to the committee today and will submit their report to the joint conference of the committee, which lasted all day, was attended by representatives of all the major league clubs, except St. Louis and Chicago of the American League. Absence of President Dan Johnson of the American League occasioned some surprise and much speculation, until Judge Landis said the mixup regarding the proposed joint meeting would probably be cleared up tomorrow. Johnson here today were due to him.

He explained that in his opinion it would be impossible to get through with the preliminary Johnson and work on the new agreement before next week and for that reason he notified Presidents Johnson and Heydler that the joint session would be held in Chicago next Saturday. Before leaving Chicago Judge Landis said President Johnson declared that anything the judge decided upon would suit him.

American Meeting at Chicago.
Later Judge Landis announced definitely that the American League meeting would be held in Chicago Friday, and that the joint ratification meeting would probably be held there Saturday, or, if delayed, either in Chicago or New York after New Year's. When major and minor league committees meet to take up the new agreement tentative drafts were submitted by President Heydler of the national league and John Conway Toole, attorney of the National League. The principal difference between the two was that the Heydler draft included the administrative details while that presented by Mr. Toole omitted these details, which he suggested might be incorporated in a separate agreement, thus leaving the code which is to be the general government of baseball in such form that it would cover minor league as well as major league baseball.

Be a Sport! Help Unfortunates Of Tulsa Enjoy Holiday Season

Sportsmen and sportswomen! In a two-room home in Tulsa dwells a family of five, a brave mother and four little ones; one, two, four and five, all respectively. Bravely the mother toils that sufficient clothing and food be provided for her children and that the eldest, a girl, might be sent to school. For them there is no prospect of Christmas joys. In a letter received by The World's Empty Stocking fund editor, the little girl tells of the plight of her mother and brothers and sisters, and wonders if there will be any Christmas joy in their home. "Mother says," writes the little miss, "that we will be lucky if we have bread and milk for dinner Christmas day."

There are many other families here as needy as the little group of five, who, unless they receive the aid of the more fortunate Tulsans will not be able to enjoy the joys of the Yuletide season nor of the simple necessities, such as a Christmas dinner.

Generosity is traditional of sportsmen and sportswomen. Participation in athletics, or enthusiasm in athletics, if not a participant tends to develop a high sense of generosity and the spirit of good feeling toward others. That is manifested on the diamond, gridiron, court, ring, links or in any sporting event. And it is reflected by the spectator.

The Tulsa World sports desk is going to aid in swelling The World's empty stocking fund and it is appealing to the sportsmen and sportswomen to 15, and the amount that comes in will be appreciated by the needy and little will go a long way in making more joyful the Christmas of the poor of Tulsa.

Justify the tradition that sport develops a big heart—and give to The World's empty stocking fund. And when you designate as sports reader to the amount raised can be printed each day on The World's sport page. Send your contribution to The World's empty stocking fund and mark it "Sport Reader."

The fund is a cheerful story.

DAILY DOPE



There have been many come-backs attempted, few successes and many failures but one rival the champion, the Johnny Evers in refusing to stay down. Announcement several days ago that Evers would lead the Chicago Cubs next season gives the Tribune's second chance as team manager, and practically all agree that if left alone he will make good. Possibly the wish is father to the desire to see Evers succeed. For there was never a manager who occupied a place in baseball that Evers held and still holds.

Not that Johnny has been the most popular player in the game. Mathewson was the greatest idol of baseball. Sider, Speaker and Cobb are great heroes of the diamond. Evers, however, there is never a more likable, quiet and splendid chap than Evers, a credit to baseball as he would have been to any profession.

Not for nothing was the name the "Crab" bestowed upon the famous citizen of Troy, N. Y. For on the field he was all that name implied. Off the field, however, there is never a more likable, quiet and splendid chap than Evers, a credit to baseball as he would have been to any profession.

Misfortune has followed relentlessly in the wake of Evers and he has suffered enough reversals to have called a man with less fight and determination a trusted partner. He has been followed by a shoe and collar store, leaving Evers to meet unpaid obligations. A second store was destroyed by fire, little of the loss being covered by insurance. His two children died from typhoid fever and Mrs. Evers lived after having a near death for weeks. A newspaper man of Chicago was motoring with Evers one day—there was a crash and the scribbler was killed. Evers, in 1913 they said he was through as a player. He came back and as a member of the Braves in 1914 was one of the best players in the league. He was for a world's championship. When he failed as Cub manager eight years ago they said he would never get another chance. He has been tentatively unft to lead a major league ball club. Last season, as assistant manager of the Giants he showed their fans that he was as good as a leader of the directing of the Giants to his care.

All baseball fandom will watch Evers' success as Cub manager. The world loves a winner—but they love more a winner in fighting, two-fisted fellow. Such is Johnny Evers.

If Ty Cobb accepts the management of the Detroit Tigers, it seems likely that he will doubtless be many who will predict failure for the Georgian. Cobb, they will argue, is temperamentally unft to lead a major league ball club. He will expect and demand too much from his players and that internal dissension is bound to ensue in the ranks of the Juggernaut. In any case, we believe that as a leader Cobb will be a different man than as a player. Not that he won't possess the same fire and determination. Those qualities are as much a part of Cobb as his hands or eyes. And they are as greatly essential in a manager as in a player. But as a manager Cobb will direct his best energy into the winning of his games. There was never a smarter player than Ty Cobb; he has all the qualities necessary for a successful manager. When we believe he undoubtedly will be.

It will be three months before the interest of sportsmen and enthusiasts is centered on baseball—and in the interim it behooves boxing promoters to take advantage of that period and furnish good fistic entertainment. This is especially true of Oklahoma where opportunity awaits the fistic impresario. In numerous cities in the state indications are that boxing will flourish this winter. Now is the golden opportunity for promoters to develop the ring sport into popular favor by exhibiting good fights—so that when baseball does start it will not mean a summer of inactivity in the humped arena. Boxing can't compete with baseball in popular favor in the winter but it can be a success, providing it is on a solid basis and if the public is favorable. And the time to establish the game in public favor is in the winter months, when there is no opposition.

Boxing never will achieve popu-

Illini Clubs Formed to Combat Gambling on Academic Sports

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Dec. 11.—Illini clubs throughout the country whose membership are made up of alumni of the University of Illinois, have been urged to co-operate with George Huff, athletic director at the university, in his fight against gambling on intercollegiate sports.

The appeal has been made from the office of the secretary-treasurer of the Illinois Alumni association, and has gone out to the clubs in the form of a circular letter. The campaign against gambling this year, it is said, requires bettering at the championship ship games between the Illinois and Ohio state football teams to a minimum.

GOPHER GRIDIRON PROSPECTS GOOD

Coach Williams Prepares for 1921 Season—21 Vets Return.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 11.—Preparations for building a whirlwind team which may contend for Big Ten gridiron honors in 1921 have been started by Coach H. L. Williams of Minnesota. In an attempt to offset the disastrous losses during the last season, the Gophers have been practicing on the field during the fine weather. The coach is placing especial emphasis on the development of punters.

A revised count of those eligible for the 1921 team shows only three of football. Trig Johnson, a line-backer and McClinton, who will complete their university work next spring.

Timothy, Reginald, Deorak and Tether have announced they will change their scholastic schedules and will not graduate next spring that they may have another chance at football. Trig Johnson, a line-backer and McClinton, who will complete their university work next spring.

It is estimated that twenty-one letter men will be ready to start next fall, when Dr. Williams calls for candidates. Bob Butler, member of the 1919 team, has announced he will be ready to start the 1921 season with the Maroon and Gold.

In the freshman outfit this fall there was one outstanding player, a Grand Forks, N. D., youth named Aas. He played at center on the first year team and stories of activity were told.

Early equal to baseball or football until it is paced on a more firm basis than now. Two of the most glaring defects of boxing is the lack of order to force champions to defend titles on a day of uniform scale of weights. With the exception of Jack Dempsey, Jack Britton and Benny Leonard, the reigning kings of pugilism have refused to box boys with a chance to lift their crowns. Johnny Wilson, Johnny Kibane and Pete Herman haven't risked their titles for months and there is little likelihood that they will. They engage in no-decision bouts with setups—and expect the boxing fans to become enthusiastic over so-called championship fights.

When champions defend their titles at least twice a year at recognized weight—such as in the good old days of fistiana—then and then only will boxing compete with baseball and football as a sport of national favor.

TULSA A MECCA FOR SCRAPPERS

Local Boxing Colony Is Increased by New Additions.

Tulsa continues to be a Mecca for members of the fistic fraternity and several new additions to the local boxing colony were made last week. Boys of all weights are making Tulsa headquarters.

Following is a list of boxers, their managers and addresses:

Light Flyweights.
Joe Mack, address Arcadio Pool hall, Tulsa. Joe Gorman, address Tulsa hotel.

Middleweights.
Tommy Alia, Chick Higdon manager, Pat Dalton, Louis Newman manager, Brady hotel, Frankie Moore, address Tulsa World sports desk.

Welterweights.
Owen Castlerey, address Central Fire station, Tulsa. Irish Hallar, address police department, Tulsa.

Heavyweights.
Jimmy Riley, Patsy Corrikan manager, Joe Dale, address Arcadio Pool hall, Tulsa. Joe Gorman, address Tulsa hotel.

Boxing Club.
Joe Gorman, address Tulsa World sports desk. Kid Spack, Louis Newman manager, Arcadio Pool hall.

"Buddy" Hamilton, Charley Simons manager, Young Brothers Cigar store, 12 East Third street, Tulsa.

Places which took place behind closed gates this fall are nearly ruined the variety line. Mattie, Cyril, Olson and Cross of Minneapolis; Gay of Stevens Point, Wis., and the Medovern, a brother of Johnny McGovern, Minnesota. All-American quarterback ten years ago, are others who are expected to add strength to next year's team.

During the winter it is planned to put the freshmen through workouts twice a week so that they will be familiar with the Minnesota style when the season opens next year.

Rowland to Pilot Columbus.
CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Clarence Rowland, former manager of the Chicago White Sox, has been appointed manager of the Columbus club of the American Association. It was authentically reported that Rowland's selection is expected soon from officials of the club.

Grid Star Breaks Ankle.
CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Graman Penfield, captain of the Northwestern university football eleven this season, broke his left ankle yesterday in a wrestling match with his brother, Henry Penfield, also a member of the Purple eleven.

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Brownie No 51 \$12.50

Brownie No 52 \$13.50

Brownie No 53 \$15.50

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